CLAIMS

- 1. A DNA containing a base sequence encoding an amino acid sequence represented by SEQ ID NO:4 or 5 in Sequence Listing, which optionally has partial replacement, deletion or addition, or a base sequence hybridizable therewith.
- 2. A recombinant vector containing a DNA as claimed in Claim 1.

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- 3. Prokaryotic or eukaryotic host cells transformed by a recombinant vector as claimed in Claim 2.
- 4. A process for producing a recombinant protein which comprises incubating host cells as claimed in Claim 3 and isolating and purifying the protein thus produced.
 - 5. A process for producing a recombinant protein as claimed in Claim 4, wherein said recombinant protein is one having an actin filament-severing activity.
 - 6. A recombinant adseverin protein isolated and purified from the culture supernatant obtained by incubating host cells as claimed in Claim 3.
- 7. An oligonucleotide hybridizable specifically with
 20 a base sequence encoding an amino acid sequence represented
 by SEQ ID NO:4 or 5' in Sequence Listing.
 - 8. A method for regulating the formation of adseverin in an animal comprising administering an oligonucleotide, which is hybridizable specifically with a base sequence encoding an amino acid sequence represented by SEQ ID NO:4 or $\overset{6}{3}$ in
 - 9. An antibody capable of recognizing adseverin protein.

Sequence Listing, to the animal.